

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
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Eric J. Streciwilk : Group Art Unit: 1744  
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Ser. No.: 10/686,917 : Examiner: David A. Redding  
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Filed: October 16, 2003 :   
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For: VACUUM CLEANER WITH DIRT VESSEL  
AND SEPARATE FILTER ASSEMBLY

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated 3 May 2007, please amend the application as follows:

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**REMARKS** begin thereafter on page 5.